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FOLLOWING COMMENTS KEYED TO REFTEL:

1.A. NOT APPLICABLE AS THERE ARE NO DEPT OF STATE OR LABOR
DEPT FUNDING OF AIFLD ACTIVITIES;

1.B. AS MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY, WE NOT CONVINCED OF NECESSITY
OF TRAVEL AIFLD PERSONNEL TO SERVICE EXISTING RRLF PROJECTS.
WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED THE REQUESTED INFORMATION ON STATUS AND
EFFORTS TAKEN TO COLLECT OUTSTANDING LOANS, WHICH ARE NECESSARY
IF WE ARE TO MAKE DECISION ON BEST MANNER TO HANDLE PROBLEM.
FYI: REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATUS OF RRLF PROJECTS FOR QUARTER
ENDING SEPT 30, 1974 INDICATES ALL SIX ARGENTINE LOAN RECI-
PIENTS IN ARREARS. HOWEVER, TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, LOAN NUMBER 7
HAS BEEN COMPLETELY PAID OFF AND LOAN NUMBER 19 IS FULLY PAID
UP TO DATE. END FYI. WE AWARE THAT AIFLD HAS NOT RECEIVED
ARGENTINE BANK STATEMENTS SINCE MARCH 1974, WHICH HELPS
EXPLAIN LACK OF PRECISE INFORMATION ON LOANS STATUS. HOWEVER,
WE SUGGESTED IN BA 5835 ON AUG 6 THAT AIFLD REGIONAL AUDITOR
DONOVAN, WHO STATIONED IN LIMA, VISIT BA TO "DISCUSS MATTER
WITH BANK". AND THAT "EMBASSY RECOMMENDATIONS ON FUTURE
ARRANGEMENTS WILL AWAIT VERIFICATION ACTUAL STATUS THOSE
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LOANS". TO DATE DONOVAN HAS NOT ARRIVED NOR HAVE WE RECIEVED

ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. THEREFORE, WE DO NOT CONCUR USG
FUNDING TRAVEL AIFLD PERSONNEL TO SERVICE RRLF PROJECTS.
ONCE REQUESTED INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE, WE WILL REVIEW
THIS DECISION AND ADVISE DEPT.

1.C. IN ABSENCE IN-COUNTRY OR REGIONAL PROGRAM IN ARGENTINA,
WE DO NOT CONCUR TRAVEL AIFLD PERSONNEL.

1.D. CONCUR ITS ACTIVITIES UNDER PROCEDURE MENTIONED.
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NOTE BY OC/T: REFTEL NOT IDENTIFIED.

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